

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Valery N. Khabashesku, *et al.*
Serial No.: 10/560,351
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Title: SIDEWALL FUNCTIONALIZATION OF NANOTUBES WITH
HYDROXYL TERMINATED MOIETIES
Confirm. No.: 6399
Art Unit: 4181
Examiner: Syed Taha Iqbal

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Commissioner For Patents
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action ("Office Action") mailed February 25, 2009 and having a shortened statutory period for reply of three months set to expire on May 25, 2009, Applicants submit the following remarks and amendments. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider the rejections of the claims in view of the remarks and amendments set forth in this response as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on Page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on Page 7 of this paper.